

**"MISSOURI GIRL" COMING**

The "Missouri Girl," a comedy that has stood the test of 11 years before the public and never yet failed to please, will be the offering at the Dun can opera house tomorrow night.

This production is being advertised as the "greatest fun event of the season" and amusement lovers who remember the show in previous years say the phrase is aptly selected. From first to last the play is an avalanche of laughter. "Zeke Dobson," the gawky country lad, the chief fun maker is pronounced by critics "the greatest comedy character in the history of the stage." The character is a natural one, just such a boy as every one has met and still the situations are so funny and his actions so ludicrous that it keeps the audience screaming with laughter. In the second act the country birthday party gives an opportunity for some excellent vaudeville numbers and here again "Zeke Dobson" makes a hit in a country dance, styled the clod-hopper dance, which is said to faithfully reflect the dancing that is best liked by the natives of southwestern Missouri.

**GREAT WHITE WAY**

When you put up an electric sign at your place of business you will have done something for yourself as well as your city, for an electric sign is the modern great white way of advertising. Keeps your name constantly before the eyes of the purchasing public and helps to make Las Vegas look like a wideawake city. Las Vegas Light and Power company.

**SUBSTITUTION OF TONNAGE UP.**

Washington, D. C., Jan. 29.—The interstate commerce commission today began a series of hearings in this city with a view to arriving at a satisfactory settlement of the long standing and difficult problem of transit privileges. The question at issue is that of substitution of tonnage in transit. As a result of privileges obtained some time ago millers have been able to bring in grain from producing regions, mill it into flour and ship the flour to market on the balance of the through rate from farm to market. Following the granting of this concession to milling interests other industries obtained the privilege, and various abuses, it is charged, in the form of substitution of tonnage soon appeared.

**The Danger of La Grippe**

Is its fatal tendency to pneumonia. To cure your la grippe coughs take Foley's Honey and Tar Compound. R. M. Fisher, Washington, Kan., says: "I was troubled with a severe attack of la grippe that threatened pneumonia. A friend advised Foley's Honey and Tar Compound and I got relief after taking the first few doses. I took three bottles and my la grippe was cured." Get the genuine in the yellow package. O. G. Schaefer and Red Cross Drug Co.

**FOES OF SALOON ACTIVE.**

Columbus, O., Jan. 29.—The Ohio Anti-Saloon League has made arrangements for a big mass convention to be held in Columbus tomorrow simultaneously with the visit of President Taft. The announced purpose of the demonstration is to impress upon the Ohio constitutional convention the importance of anti-liquor provision in the state constitution. Prominent prohibition speakers from several states will address the convention.

**FRUIT GROWERS OF UTAH.**

Provo, Utah, Jan. 29.—The future of the fruit growing industry in Utah was discussed here today at the opening of the annual convention of the State Horticultural society. Mayor C. F. Decker welcomed the visitors at the initial session and this afternoon the president of the society, Joseph E. Wright of Ogden, delivered his annual address. The convention will continue three days.

**REMEMBERS MCKINLEY.**

Washington, Jan. 29.—The anniversary of the birth of William McKinley was fittingly observed in Washington today. Senators and representatives, heads of departments and many other officials and employees of the government wore pink carnations, the favorite flower of President McKinley. Hundreds of other residents of the capital followed the official example, and the result was that the local florists were scarcely able to supply the demand for pink carnations. The habit of Mr. McKinley of wearing a carnation was so pronounced during his lifetime that his friends would have been surprised had he failed to have his favorite flower as a boutonniere. It was his invariable custom on his trips to and from Washington to give the carnation which he always wore in buttonhole, to the engineer on the train, with an expression of thanks for a safe journey.

**HOW MANY TIMES**

Have you wished you had a good likeness of some near dear relative a portrait that was a true likeness, with every characteristic line and a natural expression. In our portrait work we study our subject, set the proper pose and light, that's why our work is artistic. Waterman's Portrait Studio on the Plaza

**WELCOME TO CARDINAL.**

Boston, Mass., Jan. 29.—Thousands of Catholics of Boston and vicinity abandoned their customary vocations today to participate in the biggest demonstration in the history of the church in this city—the welcome home to Cardinal William O'Connell, head of the Boston archdiocese. Later in the week a civic reception and elaborate religious ceremonies are to be given in honor of the new member of the Sacred College.

**HAVE YOU HEARD THE NEWS?**

Well! The 5, 10 and 25 Cent Store have just received a new shipment of the little novelty pistol fobs, which were sold out last week. Come soon before they are gone.

**WHAT IS THE MATTER?**

Can't you do embroidery. If you can't, come to the 5, 10 and 25 Cent Store and get the kind of pattern you want and you can get a free lesson.

**CONVENTION AS CUPID'S AID.**

La Grande, Ga., Jan. 29.—A wholesale conversion of bachelors into benedicts and maids into matrons is expected to result from a two days' convention announced to begin here tomorrow. The purpose of the convention is to give impetus to leap year proposals and to this end invitations have been sent to every unmarried man and woman in this section of Georgia and in the neighboring counties of Alabama. The county commissioners have donated the use of the court house auditorium for the gathering. Cut rates on marriage licenses will be given during the convention and several justices will be on hand to tie the knots.

**HATS OFF**

The Wallis millinery store on Sixth street has marked off the price of hats. All trimmed goods and shapes are being sold at absolute cost to make room for early spring purchases. Now is the time to make your purchases, ladies. There is a chance to make a big saving.

**CHARGED WITH MURDER.**

Freehold, N. J., Jan. 28.—Charles D. Clayton was arraigned in court here today for trial on the charge of murdering Patrolman Charles F. Lippincott at Asbury Park on December 10 last. Clayton is alleged to have shot and killed the officer while the latter was attempting to arrest him for abusing his wife.

**ONE MILLION PATENTS**

**SMART YANKEE PROVES HIS WORLD SUPREMACY.**

United States Has Doubly Outdistanced Its Next Competitor in Recorded Invention—Amazing Growth of Office.

One million patents in less than a century is the record of Yankee genius, the patent office in Washington having issued patent No. 1,000,000.

One million patents in less than a century is a record not even approached by any other nation. France comes nearest the United States in the inventive genius of her people with less than half the number of patents granted in America.

The millionth patent is for a puncture-proof tire for automobiles and other vehicles, depending upon rubber springs for its resiliency, and is the invention of an Akron, Ohio, man.

It has often been said that no other people on earth have ever showed the inventive genius seen in the United States. The steamboat, the telegraph, the telephone, the aeroplane and other wonderful inventions, all products of the Yankee brain, are all well known. Thousands of labor saving devices, such as the sewing machine, cotton gin, mower and reaper—all the results of American inventive genius—have done more to alleviate the condition of mankind than any other factor outside of the abolition of slavery.

Looking back over the wonderful progress in the mechanical and fine arts, it will be noticed that the inventive faculty of the American people has kept pace with the wonderful growth of the nation. While Americans are of heterogeneous stocks, all authorities agree they have become amalgamated by the talents and ability of their statesmen and industrial pioneers. Millions of people from foreign shores have been assimilated because of the liberal form of government and because of the equal opportunities offered. But every step forward in this country has been either directly due to or is closely allied with that wonderful faculty for delving into untried fields peculiar to Americans.

The granting of a patent in the old days, when the nation was young, was a matter of great importance, whether it was for making pot and pearl ashes or wooden nutmegs; if, indeed, those silent testimonials to Yankee smartness ever got the grace of government favor.

The patent office as it stands today was created by act of Congress of July 4, 1836, and the first commissioner was Henry L. Ellsworth, of Connecticut. From that time until the present the patent laws have provided for a search system—that is, they provide that a search be made to see if any patent of a like nature has been issued, so as to prevent duplication. But before that time there was little if any searching done, because there was no provision made and practically no force to make a search.

The present series of patents began in 1836, and since that time patents have been numbered consecutively. Prior to July 4, 1836, there had been issued 9,902 patents. The first patent of the present series was granted to John Ruggles, July 13, 1836, for a locomotive engine, and is patent No. 1.

All patents, both foreign and domestic, thus must be searched, and if nothing is found to conflict with the idea of which patent is requested, the grant is made. For all this work Uncle Sam charges the modest fee of \$35—\$15 upon filing the application and the other \$20 when notice is received that patent will be granted. From the first federal patent grant in 1790, to the present commissioner in 1911, is a long jump. It is just 121 years ago. Many changes have taken place during this time. When the first patent was issued the president of the United States made the grant, while the record was written by a clerk in the state department. Then followed the patent board, composed of the secretary of state, the secretary of war and the attorney general. This board was continued until 1836, when the first commissioner of patents was appointed.

Since 1836 the work of the patent office has increased by leaps and bounds; and today, when the number of patents granted each year averages more than thirty thousand, the inventive bump of the Yankee may almost be seen growing. It is developing so fast.

**Dangerous Animal.**

An Ohio man and his wife with a couple of friends went out for a run in the country the other day in their motor car. The trip was quite a long one and they arranged to have lunch out in the woods. As they neared their destination a stop was made and one of the party made his way into the bush on the side of a hill to get water. He was gone an unusually long time, and on his return explained his delay by saying: "There was only a trickling stream coming from the spring, so I had to wait. There was a ram down there in the bushes, and it seemed to be taking up all the water."

"A what?" inquired the hostess. "A ram—hydraulic ram." "My!" she said with some surprise. "Wasn't you afraid of the thing?" "Yes," he replied, "but I was afraid to get the water."

Call for Republican Convention for the State of New Mexico

Pursuant to the requirements of the call made by the republican national committee on December 12, 1911, for a republican national convention to be held in the city of Chicago in the state of Illinois, at 12 o'clock, noon on Tuesday, June 18, 1912, for the purpose of nominating candidates for president and vice-president to be voted for at the presidential election on Tuesday, November 5, 1912, and for the transaction of such other business as may come before, the republican central committee of the state of New Mexico assembled at Santa Fe on this 25th day of January, 1912, hereby calls for the holding of a convention of the republican party of the state of New Mexico, to be held in the city of Santa Fe, state of New Mexico, at 2 o'clock on Friday, the eighth day of March, A. D., 1912 for the purpose of selecting eight delegates and eight alternates to represent the republican party of the state of New Mexico in the said national convention called to be held at Chicago on the 18th day of June, 1912.

The republican central committee of the various counties of the state are by this committee requested and directed to issue a call for the holding of a county convention of the republican party in the respective counties upon such notice and date as they may deem expedient for the purpose of electing delegates to the state convention to be held on the 8th day of March, 1912, as aforesaid, and which the basis of representation shall be one delegate for each one hundred votes or more, cast for the republican votes or more, cast for the republican candidate for governor of the state of New Mexico at the late election held on the 7th day of November, 1911, and one delegate at large from each county in addition upon which basis the representation in the state convention of the republican party of the state of New Mexico to be held on March 8, 1912, from the several counties of the state shall be as follows:

Bernalillo	19
Chavez	7
Colfax	17
Curry	4
Dona Ana	14
Eddy	5
Grant	12
Guadalupe	11
Lincoln	8
Luna	4
McKinley	6
Mora	15
Otero	6
Quay	9
Rio Arriba	20
Roosevelt	4
Sandoval	6
San Juan	5
San Miguel	30
Santa Fe	18
Sierra	6
Socorro	22
Taos	14
Torrance	10
Union	14
Valencia	19

Total ..... 305  
All notices of contest shall be submitted in writing, setting forth the grounds of contest, which must be filed with the secretary of the state central committee at least three days before the meeting of the state convention.

All county conventions must be held not later than the 4th day of March, 1912.

VENCESLAO JARAMILLO,  
Chairman.  
HERBERT W. CLARK,  
Secretary.

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For over three decades a favorite household medicine for COUGHS, COLDS, CROUP, WHOOPING COUGH, BRONCHITIS, HARD and STUFFY BREATHING. Take at first sign of a cold. Quick, safe and reliable. The Bee Hive on the carton is the mark of the genuine. Refuse substitutes.  
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FOR RENT—Nicely furnished room. 620 Twelfth street.

FOR RENT—To the right party, 160 acre ranch with improvements. Apply 1030 Fifth street.

FOR RENT—Fine suite of furnished housekeeping rooms, electric lights, bath, etc. Excellent location. 918 Eighth street.

FOR RENT—Good furnished rooms, close in. Apply 725 Sixth street.

**For Sale**

FOR SALE—At once. Household goods, stove, book case, rockers and other articles. Terms Cash. Call at 723 Main avenue.

FOR SALE—Properties of C. H. Stevenson, corner of Fourth and Washington ave. Inquire 923 Fourth St.

FOR SALE—Well bred Collie pups. McSpadden, 207 S Second St. Albuquerque, N. M.

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When given as soon as the croupy cough appears Chamberlain's Cough Remedy will ward off an attack of croup and prevent all danger and cause of anxiety. Thousands of mothers use it successfully. For sale by all druggists.

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**Stray Advertisement**

Notice is hereby given to whom it may concern that the following described stray animal was taken up by V. P. Harrington, Laguna, N. M., Dec. 19, 1911.

Towit: One red white face cow, 3 years old.  
Branded  
On right shoulder  
Said animal being unknown to this Board, unless claimed by owner on or before Feb. 12, 1912, said date being 10 days after last appearance of this advertisement, said stray will be sold by this Board for the benefit of the owner when found.

CATTLE SANITARY BOARD,  
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LAS VEGAS COMMANDERY, NO. 2, KNIGHTS TEMPLAR—Regular convocation second Tuesday in each month at Masonic Temple at 7:30 p. m. C. D. Boucher, S. C.; Chas. Tamme, Recorder.

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EL DORADO LODGE NO. 1, KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS—Meets every Monday evening in Castle Hall. Visiting Knights are cordially invited. Chas. E. Liebschneider, Chancellor; Harry Martin, Keeper of Records and Seal.

FRATERNAL BROTHERHOOD NO. 102—Meets every Monday night at O. R. C. Hall, on Douglas avenue, at 8 o'clock. Visiting members are cordially welcome. E. E. Gehring, president; J. T. Buhler, secretary; C. H. Bally, treasurer.

J. E. ROSENWALD LODGE NO. 545, I. O. O. F.—Meets every first Tuesday of the month in the vestry rooms of Temple Montefiore at 8 o'clock p. m. Visiting brothers are cordially invited. Isaac Appel, President; Charles Greenclay, Secretary.

RED CLOUD TRIBE NO. 4, Red Men—Meet in Fraternal Brotherhood hall. A. M. Adler, Sachem; David Flint, chief of records and collector of wampum. Visiting brother always welcome.

I. O. O. F., LAS VEGAS LODGE NO. 1—Meets every Monday evening at their hall on Sixth street. All visiting brethren cordially invited to attend. J. D. Fridenstein, N. G.; Frank Fries, V. G.; T. M. Elwood, Secretary; Karl Wertz, Treasurer; C. V. Hedgcock, cemetery trustee.

B. P. O. ELKS—Meets second and fourth Tuesday evening of each month at O. R. C. hall. Visiting brothers are cordially invited. Geo. H. Hunker, Exalted Ruler; D. W. Condon, Secretary.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, COUNCIL NO. 804—Meets second and fourth Thursday in O. R. C. hall. Pioneer building. Visiting members are cordially invited. W. R. Tipton, G. K.; E. P. Mackel, F. S.

MODERN WOODMEN OF AMERICA—Meet in the forest of brotherly love at Woodmen of the World hall, on the second and fourth Friday of each month at 8 p. m. C. Clay Consul; G. Laemmle, Clerk. Visiting neighbors are especially welcome and cordially invited.

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Arrive Depart  
No. 2.... 9:10 p. m..... 9:15 p. m  
No. 4.... 11:05 p. m..... 11:10 p. m  
No. 8.... 1:15 a. m..... 1:25 a. m  
No. 10.... 1:45 p. m..... 2:10 p. m

**WEST BOUND**

No. 1.... 1:20 p. m..... 1:45 p. m  
No. 3.... 6:10 a. m..... 6:15 p. m  
No. 7.... 4:40 p. m..... 4:50 p. m  
No. 9.... 6:35 p. m..... 7:00 p. m

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